

### **REMARKS**

Prior to a first examination of the non-provisional application filed herewith, please enter the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

### **Specification**

In the CLAIMS section, on page 27, line 2, the specification has been amended to add the introductory remarks to the claims, "What is claimed is:".

CONCLUSION

A first examination of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

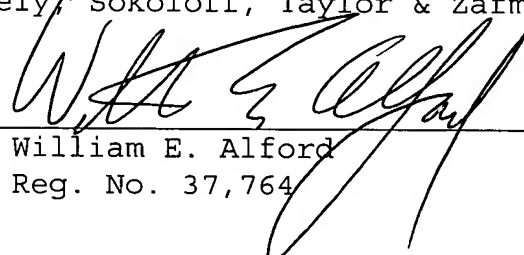
The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned counsel by telephone at (714) 557-3800 should there be any questions.

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Respectfully submitted,

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